

COLUMBIA RIVER REGIONAL FORUM

TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT TEAM

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FACILITATOR'S SUMMARY NOTES ON FUTURE ACTIONS

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The following notes are a summary of issues that are intended to point out future actions or issues that may need further discussion at upcoming meetings. These notes are not intended to be the "record" of the meeting, only a reminder for TMT members.

Dworshak Operations:

TMT members called in today to receive updates on Dworshak operations and how to proceed with the ending of the test at Dworshak. Cathy Hlebechuk informed the group that Dworshak was at elevation 1534' on August 31, approximately 187 kaf above elevation 1520'. At the August 15 meeting, TMT recommended the COE release 10 kcfs from Dworshak through 1 – 10 September and reevaluate on September 9 if additional water could be drafted from Dworshak. The COE said since the forecasted elevation September 10 is 1520.1', the COE is planning on reducing outflows from 10 kcfs to minimum flow at midnight at the rate of one foot per hour at Peck which is the normal project ramp rates. Greg Haller, Nez Perce, requested a gradual ramp-down of more than three hours.

The group agreed to ramp down over a period of about 24 hours; turn the small unit (2.3 kcfs) off at midnight on the 10th, change to an intermediate level at noon on the 11th, and drop to minimum flows (1.3-1.8 kcfs) at midnight on the 11th. Cathy Hlebechuk will work with the operating crew to determine an intermediate level, and then email TMT with the information.

Temperatures may vary during the ramp-down. The USFWS prefers temperatures to remain 48-49.5 degrees.

Everyone looks forward to reading the COE's report on the test at Dworshak.